Introduced by Senator McClintock (Coauthors: Senators Johnson, Knight, and Oller)

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An act to add Section 42101 to the Education Code, relating to public school funding.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 956, as amended, McClintock. Public school expenditures.

Existing law requires the governing board of each school district, on or before September 15 of each year, to approve an annual statement of all receipts and expenditures of the district for the preceding fiscal year and to file the statement with the county superintendent of schools. Existing law requires the county superintendent of schools, on or before October 15, to verify the mathematical accuracy of the statement and transmit a copy to the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

This bill would additionally require the principal of each school, the governing board of each school district, the county superintendent of schools for each county, and the State Department of Education to annually prepare a report in a uniform format to be established by the Superintendent of Public Instruction that indicates the total amount of all funds expended, including the separate total amount of funds expended for classroom purposes, as defined, by the school, school district, county school district, or the department, respectively, during the preceding fiscal year, thus imposing a state-mandated local program. The bill would require the reports to be submitted to the

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Legislature Superintendent of Public Instruction on or before September 15 of each year for compilation and submission to the Legislature.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement, including the creation of a State Mandates Claims Fund to pay the costs of mandates that do not exceed \$1,000,000 statewide and other procedures for claims whose statewide costs exceed \$1,000,000.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 42101 is added to the Education Code, 2 to read:
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 3 42101. (a) The principal of each school, the governing board
- 4 of each school district, the county superintendent of schools for
- 5 each county, and the State Department of Education shall annually
- 5 prepare a report that indicates the total amount of all funds
- 7 expended, including the separate total amount of funds expended
- B for classroom purposes by the school, school district, county
- 9 school district, or the department, respectively, during the
- preceding fiscal year. The funds shall be reported in a uniform
- 11 format to be established by the Superintendent of Public
- 12 *Instruction* only by the educational entity that directly expended 13 the funds for classroom purposes. The funds may not be double
- reported by two or more entities. The reports shall be submitted to
- 15 the Legislature Superintendent of Public Instruction on or before
- 16 September 15 of each year for compilation and submission to the
- 17 Legislature.
- (b) For purposes of the section, "classroom purposes" means
- 19 funds expended for classroom teachers, classroom materials, and
- 20 school facility construction and maintenance.

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SEC. 2. Notwithstanding Section 17610 of the Government Code, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code. If the statewide cost of the claim for reimbursement does not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000), reimbursement shall be made from the State Mandates Claims Fund.